

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

CHAMBERS OF  
RONALD J. HEDGES  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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**LETTER-OPINION AND ORDER**  
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**Re: Gibbon Farguharson v. City of Paterson  
Civil Action No. 04-4182 (JLL)**

Dear Litigants:

This matter comes before me on plaintiff's renewed application for appointment of pro bono counsel. I have considered the papers submitted in support of the application. There was no oral argument. Rule 78.

Plaintiff's previous application for the appointment of pro bono counsel was denied by me on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Plaintiff now argues that he is "barely literate in English, has limited formal education, suffers mental health issues," and that "his access to a trained and adequate paralegal or person trained in law is slight to non-existent." After reviewing the Complaint and prior

correspondence written by plaintiff, I am not satisfied that he would be unable to present his case effectively or that the issues of this case are overly complicated. Plaintiff's current application for appointment of pro bono counsel is therefore DENIED.

SO ORDERED.

s/ Ronald J. Hedges  
United States Magistrate Judge